

4 Out Lot number sixteen (16) in Decatur, Iowa, is hereby legalized,
5 validated and confirmed.

1 SEC. 2. The auditor of Decatur County, Iowa, is hereby authorized,
2 empowered and directed to issue a certificate of purchase and of final
3 payment, which certificate shall contain reference to this Act, to Ira
4 W. Eaton, his heirs, grantees or assigns for the following described
5 property, to wit:

6 Out Lot number sixteen (16) in Decatur, Iowa, upon payment of all
7 sums due or to become due upon the contract for sale of said property,
8 and when the same has been transmitted to the secretary of state, the
9 governor and the secretary of state are hereby authorized, empowered
10 and directed to issue a patent to the said Ira W. Eaton, his heirs,
11 grantees or assigns for the use and benefit of the successive owners
12 of said land.

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CHAPTER 290

CITY OF LAMONI LAND PATENT

H. F. 354

AN ACT to legalize a contract for sale and authorizing the issuance of a patent to lot seven (7), block nine (9), and a tract of land commencing at the southeast corner of lot one (1), block nine (9), thence running north forty (40) feet, thence west two hundred thirty-eight (238) feet, thence south forty (40) feet, thence east two hundred thirty-eight (238) feet to the place of beginning, all in Central Addition to Lamoni, Iowa.

WHEREAS, Decatur County, Iowa, for the use and benefit of the permanent school fund of the state of Iowa, acquired title to the following described lands:

Lot seven (7), Block nine (9), and a tract of land commencing at the southeast corner of Lot one (1), Block nine (9), thence running north forty (40) feet, thence west two hundred thirty-eight (238) feet, thence south forty (40) feet, thence east two hundred thirty-eight (238) feet to the place of beginning, all in Central Addition to Lamoni, Iowa; and,

WHEREAS, it appears that Decatur County, Iowa, for the use and benefit of the permanent school fund of the state of Iowa acquired the above-described property by quitclaim deeds, one dated May 9, 1936, from Belle Richardson and her husband, Floyd Richardson, and the other dated January 26, 1955, from Lila Woodrum Lowry DeDisse and her husband, Julius C. DeDisse, the said Belle Richardson being the surviving spouse and the said Lila Woodrum Lowry DeDisse being the only heir of George Woodrum, deceased, and prior owner of said property, and the said quitclaim deeds being based upon a school-fund mortgage executed by the said Belle Richardson and Lila Woodrum dated January 22, 1927, and satisfied of record February 4, 1937; and,

WHEREAS, it appears that a contract for sale of the foregoing described property was executed by the county auditor of Decatur County,

Iowa, on the 29th day of January, 1941, to Florence Hoffman who on the 27th day of November, 1953, as Florence Hoffman Outhouse together with Leslie Outhouse contracted to sell the aforesaid described property to John Rex Hoffman; and,

WHEREAS, it does not appear of record that the county auditor or county board of supervisors of Decatur County complied with the provisions of the law governing the sale of school lands in contracting to sell the aforesaid described property to the said Florence Hoffman in that there is no showing of record that:

(a) The county board of supervisors of Decatur County passed a resolution providing for the sale of said property and directing and authorizing the trustees of the township to appraise the value of said property;

(b) The trustees of the township certified to the said county board of supervisors their appraisal thereof finding and fixing the value of said property and action of the board thereon;

(c) The county auditor posted notice and advertised said property for sale at public auction to the highest and best bidder therefor as provided by statute;

(d) The county auditor exposed, offered for sale and struck off said property to the highest and best bidder therefor; and,

WHEREAS, the said Florence Hoffman, her assigns or grantees have been in open, actual, notorious and adverse possession of said lands at all times since the execution of the contract for sale on the 29th day of January, 1941; and,

WHEREAS, the state of Iowa has no claims upon said property adverse to those of the said Florence Hoffman, her assigns or grantees, and it appears that the said Florence Hoffman, her assigns or grantees are entitled to a patent conveying the foregoing described property to her, her assigns or grantees upon payment of all sums due or to become due under the contract for sale, now, therefore,

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

1 SECTION 1. The contract for sale executed by the county auditor
2 of Decatur County, Iowa, to Florence Hoffman on the 29th day of
3 January, 1941, for the sale of the following described property, to wit:
4 Lot seven (7), Block nine (9), and a tract of land commencing
5 at the southeast corner of Lot one (1), Block nine (9), thence run-
6 ning north forty (40) feet, thence west two hundred thirty-eight
7 (238) feet, thence south forty (40) feet, thence east two hundred
8 thirty-eight (238) feet to the place of beginning, all in Central
9 Addition to Lamoni, Iowa,
10 is hereby legalized, validated and confirmed.

1 SEC. 2. The auditor of Decatur County, Iowa, is hereby author-
2 ized, empowered and directed to issue a certificate of purchase and of
3 final payment, which certificate shall contain reference to this Act, to
4 Florence Hoffman, her heirs, grantees or assigns for the following
5 described property, to wit:
6 Lot seven (7), Block nine (9), and a tract of land commencing

7 at the southeast corner of Lot one (1), Block nine (9), thence run-
 8 ning north forty (40) feet, thence west two hundred thirty-eight
 9 (238) feet, thence south forty (40) feet, thence east two hundred
 10 thirty-eight (238) feet to the place of beginning, all in Central
 11 Addition to Lamoni, Iowa,
 12 upon payment of all sums due or to become due upon the contract for
 13 sale of said property, and when the same has been transmitted to the
 14 secretary of state, the governor and the secretary of state are hereby
 15 authorized, empowered and directed to issue a patent to the said
 16 Florence Hoffman, her heirs, grantees or assigns for the use and
 17 benefit of the successive owners of said land.

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CHAPTER 291

DECATUR COUNTY LAND PATENT

H. F. 355

AN ACT to legalize a contract for sale and authorizing the issuance of a patent to the northwest quarter (NW $\frac{1}{4}$) of the southeast quarter (SE $\frac{1}{4}$) of section thirty-three (33) in Township sixty-eight (68) North, Range twenty-four (24) West of the fifth (5th) P. M., in Decatur County, Iowa.

WHEREAS, the state of Iowa for the use and benefit of the permanent school fund, acquired title to the following described lands:

The northwest quarter (NW $\frac{1}{4}$) of the southeast quarter (SE $\frac{1}{4}$) of section thirty-three (33) in township sixty-eight (68) north, range twenty-four (24) west of the fifth (5th) P. M., in Decatur County, Iowa; and,

WHEREAS, it appears that the state of Iowa, for the use and benefit of the permanent school fund, acquired the above-described premises by a warranty deed executed by Eva Sinclair and John H. Sinclair, her husband, dated May 23, 1940, based on a school-fund mortgage executed by Eva Sinclair and J. H. Sinclair, her husband, on December 14, 1914; and,

WHEREAS, it appears that a contract of sale of the foregoing described premises was executed by the county auditor of Decatur County, Iowa, April 12, 1944, to Ruth Merle Powell who executed a deed of the above-described premises to Miles F. Phelps, dated January 24, 1952; and,

WHEREAS, it does not appear of record that the county auditor or county board of supervisors of Decatur County complied with the provisions of the law governing the sale of school lands in contracting to sell the aforesaid described property to the said Ruth Merle Powell in that there is no showing of record that:

(a) The county board of supervisors of Decatur County passed a resolution providing for the sale of said property and directing and authorizing the trustees of the township to appraise the value of said property;

(b) The trustees of the township certified to the said county board of supervisors their appraisal thereof finding and fixing the value of said property and action of the board thereon.